



## Money in Politics Research Action Project

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### OCA, Campaign Finance Reform and Medical Marijuana Efforts Early Out of Gate in Race to Gather Signatures for 2004 Ballot

Hot-button social issues dominate early signature gathering efforts for the November 2004 ballot, as seven reports filed at the Secretary of State's office last week reveal.

Three of the seven reports are from campaigns affiliated with the conservative Oregon Citizens Alliance. Two of these are closely related to unsuccessful initiatives filed in the last election cycle--the Student Protection Act III and the Judicial Oath of Office Act. In addition, the OCA has filed a measure "to save the lives of the innocent," which appears to broadly address issues of separation of religion and state.

In addition, several other groups are gathering signatures to ensure road building in certain parts of the state, reinstate term limits, expand Oregon's medical marijuana act, and enact contribution limits campaign finance reform.

"It's not surprising to see grassroots organizations, like the OCA and the medical marijuana activists, jumping in early to gather signatures. Both the term limits and campaign finance reform efforts are getting an early money boost from a couple of contributors. But it is still early in the game--business and labor groups will likely let the dust settle from the legislative session before committing to initiative campaigns," said Janice Thompson, Executive Director of the Money in Politics Research Action Project.

### Initiative Signature Gathering Campaign Contributions to Date

Totals include cash and in-kind contributions, loans and other receipts on the C&E report due on September 10, 2003. Data could change due to amendments and/or auditing.

Init #	Subject/Chief Petitioners/ Top 5 Givers	Total \$ to Date
13	Road building in certain areas of the state	\$7,131
	John Shank, Joseph H. Glide, Wayne F. Johnston	
	RoadPAC, Coos County: \$6626; Michael Stewart: \$200; Ed Luttrell: \$100; 12 contributors giving \$50 or less	
15	Judicial Oath of Office Act	\$3,972
	Lon T. Mabon, Robert F. Ekstrom, Richard Orrin Jones	
	\$50 or less: \$1377; OCA-PAC: \$1113; BJM Tech Support: \$500; New Covenant PAC \$365; John Fox: \$390	
16	Student Protection Act III	\$11,563
	Lon T. Mabon, Robert F. Ekstrom, Jeremy Bowen	
	\$50 or less: \$4556; OCA-PAC: \$763; John Fox: \$350; Lon Mabon: \$250; DE Rogers: \$250	

17	"To save the lives of the innocent"	\$4,053
	Lon T. Mabon, Robert F. Ekstrom, Jeremy Bowen	
	<i>OCA-PAC: 914; \$50 or less: \$899; BJM Tech Support: \$500; John Fox \$330; New Covenant PAC: \$269</i>	
20	Term Limits	\$9,822
	Leigh Foxall, Paul Farago	
	<i>US Term Limits: \$7400; People for Piccolo: \$2372; \$50 or less: \$50</i>	
31	A Life with Dignity (Medical Marijuana)	\$12,183
	Ken Brown, John Sajo, Ed Glick	
	<i>\$50 or less: \$4816; Zaki Kahl, James Klahr, and Dr. Richard Bayer: \$500 each</i>	
53	Money is not Democracy (Campaign Finance Reform)	\$12,227
	Lloyd Marbet, Harry Lonsdale, Sarah Charlesworth	
	<i>Harry Lonsdale: \$10,000; William D. Mitchom: \$1500; David E. Delk: \$252; Lee and Paul Dayfield: \$237</i>	

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